



## Frankly speaking...

Well the new year is here. We had a great time at the Christmas Party at Mary's where Alan K6KLL presented me with some giant shoes to fill left behind by Jim K6UUW. The kids got quite a kick out of them. In planning for next year's party, I'd like to have it a different day than our neighbors at REDXA.

Yesterday was the last day of activity for the very popular National Parks on the Air program put on by the ARRL. While there were some issue for me to get logged in, after a few weeks they figure it out. This program generated over 1 million contacts on the air, pretty amazing amount of activity. We activated Point Reyes National Seashore for NPOTA and for our lighthouse activation, and generated a lot of activity. It'd be nice if they have some sort of continuation of it.

I'm hoping to have a speaker lined up for this month's meeting who has done many NPOTA activations this past year.

Until then keep your amps tuned and your aerals resonant.

Frank KG6N



### NEXT MEETING

Wed, January 18, 2017, 7:30pm  
City of Sonoma EOC,  
Sonoma Police Department

**Topic: TBA**

## VOMARC Meeting Minutes November 16, 2016

Called to order at 7:31 PM by our Humble Secretary, KD6FIL (minutes thanks to President Emeritus K6UUW)

KD6FIL (Dave), KG6QNT (Eileen), WB6TMH (Mike), W1EJ (Ed), KF6FZM (Dick), K6KLL (Alan), N7PIB (San), KA2QQO (Declan), KJ6QIQ (Scott),

NJ6E (Stan), K6UUW(Jim), N6TVN (Carl), KA5WSS (Mark), AI6RD (Marc), KV6X (Dan).

Introductions.

**Minutes:** Approved as Written again!

### **Officer Announcements**

President: KG6N –MIA (home sick)

Vice President: KJ6QIQ – Has 35 NPOTA confirmed. He is shooting for 60, but time is running out. (N7PIB is up to 312)

Treasurer: KG6QNT – We have \$4,921.43 in the bank. Dues are due!

Secretary: KD6FIL- Hamfest is set for 2017 but still need to get the insurance paperwork completed.

### **Old business:**

Club Christmas party is December 14 at Mary's Pizza in Boyes Hot Springs and starts at 6 PM.

### **New Business:**

NN6J, Joel, is a silent key.

Hammet and Edison received an award from Broadcast Legends and our own NJ6E accepted the award! Congratulations.

Badges – Crown Trophy's can do the badges. KJ6QIQ is putting together the list. Pins and Clips are \$9.95, magnetic is \$11.95. Will try to have them at the Christmas party.

Election of Officers: Same officers as last year, vote: all but one person voted in favor of the ticket. (Yes, I voted no just to make it interesting)

Presentation by N6KM on the possible purchase of a DMR repeater by the club. Dave will send out information to the club for a vote at the Christmas party.

Meeting Adjourned around 8 PM.

Break for goodies from W1EJ.

Presentation was a video on making an emergency radio Go Box.

—Respectfully Submitted Dave KD6FIL

## **VOMARC Meeting Minutes Christmas Party December 14, 2016**

Called to order at 6:30 PMish by our newly reelected President KG6N!

KD6FIL (Dave), WB6TMH (Mike), W1EJ (Ed), KF6FZM (Dick), K6KLL (Alan), N7PIB (San), KA2QQO (Declan), KJ6QIQ (Scott), NJ6E (Stan), K6UUW(Jim), N6TVN (Carl), KA5WSS (Mark), AI6RD (Marc), N6KM (Ken), KG6N (Frank), WA6CRB (Dan) and several people I missed.

### **Officer Introduced for 2017**

President: KG6N –

Vice President: KJ6QIQ –

Treasurer: KG6QNT (in warmer climate)

Secretary: KD6FIL-

### **Old business:**

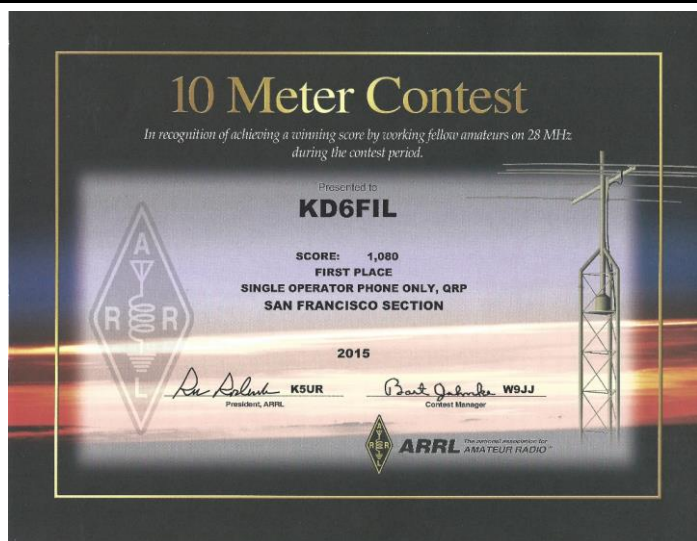
The purchase of the DMR repeater was discussed. After numerous questions, a motion was made seconded and passed unanimously to purchase the repeater for \$2300.

A presentation was made by K6KLL to our president. Frank was presented with some really big shoes to fill.

Badges were passed out to those who did not pick them up in November.

**Thank you to all the club members who make VOMARC what it is. Let's make 2017 another great year for the club.**

—Respectfully Submitted Dave KD6FIL



We have a winner!

## FOR SALE

Yaesu FT1000mp mkV.

Non-smoking environment. All filter slots filled.  
Asking \$1050.00.

Call: Jim K6UUW, 935-7441

## More Christmas Party Pics



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### CAST OF CHARACTERS

Frank Wiebusch KG6N — President

Scott Wellington KJ6QIQ —Vice President

Dave Dammuller, KD6FIL – Secretary

Eileen Adams, KG6QNT – Treasurer

Mike Miller, WB6TMH – Radio Officer

Moe Llanes, KI6JNU – ACS Unit Leader

Sanford Smith, N7PIB – VE Liaison

Jim Hill, K6UUW – Elmer Coordinator, Training Officer,  
President Emeritus

Ken McTaggart, N6KM – Station Trustee for W6AJF

Eileen Adams, KG6QNT – Webmeistress, Editor

*"Receipt of the Wireless is one of the most sought after benefits  
of membership in VOMARC."*—S. Marler

**CLUB MEETINGS** are held on the third Wednesday of each month at the City of Sonoma Police Department EOC 175 1<sup>st</sup> St West. Meetings start at 19:30 local (7:30 P.M.).

**WEB PAGE:** <http://www.vomarc.org/>

**Nets** are held every Wednesday night at 19:30 (7:30 P.M.) local, except meeting nights on the 145.350 repeater, -600 kHz, PL 88.5 Hz.

**ACS** holds a net each Monday evening at 19:30 local on the 146.205, +600, PL 88.5 Hz repeater.

**PACKET STATION INFO:** The VOMARC packet station is off the air until further notice.

**CLUB BREAKFASTS** are held on the first Saturday of each month at Black Bear Restaurant, 201 W Napa St, #34 (Marketplace Shopping Center), Sonoma. The fun starts at 08:30 local.

Comments and submissions of material may be sent to:

[Eileen@vom.com](mailto:Eileen@vom.com)

—or—

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C/O Sonoma Police Department  
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Sonoma, CA 95476

**2017 ACS  
Net Control Assignments**

	Name	Call
JANUARY	MOE	KI6JNU
FEBRUARY	SCOTT	KJ6QIQ
MARCH	SCOTT	KJ6QIQ
APRIL	JIM	K6UUW
MAY	DICK	KF6FZM
JUNE	MOE	KI6JNU
JULY	KEN	N6KN
AUGUST	GILL	KJ6EIG
SEPTEMBER	SAM	W5LTP
OCTOBER	DICK	FK6FZM
NOVEMBER	MIKE	WB6TMH
DECEMBER	DARREL	WD6BOR

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JANUARY	SCOTT	KJ6QIQ
FEBRUARY	JIM	K6UUW
MARCH	MOE	KI6JNU
APRIL	DAVE	KD6FIL
MAY	ED	W1EJ
JUNE	FRANK	KG6N
JULY	MOE	KI6JNU
AUGUST		
SEPTEMBER	SAM	W5LTP
OCTOBER	DICK	KF6FZM
NOVEMBER	MIKE	WB6TMH
DECEMBER	DARREL	WD6BOR

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE THE JANUARY 18, 2016, 7:30PM,  
CITY OF SONOMA EOC, SONOMA POLICE DEPARTMENT, 175 1<sup>ST</sup> ST W, SONOMA, 95476  
SEE YOU THERE.**

## VOMARC MEMBERSHIP 2017

Membership Dues: \$15/year individual; \$5/year family member at same address.

VOMARC encourages its members to join the ARRL. More information is available at [www.arrl.org](http://www.arrl.org).

QST is available to blind and physically handicapped individuals on audio cassette from the Library of Congress, National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. Call 1-800-424-8567.

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VOMARC Membership: Complimentary with Class—Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Moment, From the Database Queen:

Dues may be mailed to VOMARC in care of the Sonoma Police Department, 175 1<sup>st</sup> St West, CA 95476, or brought to the next meeting. Your check should be made payable to: **VOMARC**.